

# WEATHER

Considerable cloudiness today with highest 43 to 48 degrees. Cloudy tonight with rain late tonight. Lowest 30 to 37. Tomorrow cloudy with occasional rain and highest in the 40's.

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## Men Die, Women Suffer



Mrs. Joe Wargo, whose husband was one of the 37 men that died after a gas explosion rocked a section of the Bishop Mine, is comforted by rescue workers in Bishop, Va.

## Mine Blast Killing 37 Is Probed

BISHOP, Va., — UP — State and federal mine inspectors moved into this sorrowing coal town today seeking the cause of an earth-jarring explosion that entombed 37 men in an underground labyrinth.

An official of the Pocahontas Fuel co., which operates the huge, highly mechanized mine on the West Virginia border, said it had been determined that a gas explosion killed the men early yesterday.

"We know that," W. A. Fullerton, special assistant to the president, said. "But how it happened or what caused it we don't know yet. Maybe we'll never know."

Rescue crews located the bodies after searching most of the day through smoke and gas in the

debris-choked tunnels and last night brought the corpses on a "death train" to the waiting relatives.

The crew used gas masks and oxygen tanks in its search and in bringing the 11-car, narrow-gauge train through five miles of winding, dark tunnels to the surface.

"Some of the men were killed by the force of the explosion," Mr. Fullerton said. "Some were buried under slate rock and some died of asphyxiation."

The "graveyard" shift had been working 300 feet beneath a shaft entrance which the explosion wrecked and blocked, in addition to shattering windows of buildings above ground.

The 140 other men in the mine had to scramble to safety through the "driftmouth," a second entrance used by the mine railroad. By the time the train surfaced, some 100 persons including a number of the victims' 151 dependents had gathered around six burlap-covered tables set up to receive the bodies.

## Two Autos Sideswipe

A Pennel man attempted to pass the car of a Philadelphia driver on a curve in Lower Makefield township yesterday and the cars sideswiped as he made the attempt, Lower Makefield police reported.

Joseph Kosloski, 37, of 20 De Haven avenue, Pennel, was following Samuel Sellman, 41, of 4747 B street on Route 432 near Sunset road in Lower Makefield township.

Sellman told officer Rudolph Fatyol who investigated that the Pennel man struck his car as they both rounded a curve.

Kosloski said his bumper locked with the car in front of him as he made the wide turn on the curve.

Chief Robert Waterson said damage to Sellman's car was \$200. Damage to the Pennel man's car was reported as \$50.

## BBC Televises Baby's Birth And Draws Horrified Blast

LONDON — UP — The British Broadcasting Corp. televised the birth of a baby last night. Most viewers agreed it was done with remarkable tact, but the dissenting tabloid Daily Sketch quoted a "father of two" today as saying BBC was turning television "into an ultra-sensational horror comic."

The BBC said early today it had only six telephone calls from the millions who watched the program around their fire-sides after most children were asleep. Four calls disapproved, two approved.

The birth came as part of a

# 3% Sales Tax Stays 2 Years As Leader Presents Budget Two Boys Held In \$1000 Copper Theft

## Writ Sought For Prominent Junk Dealer

C. P. Hatcher To Face Four Charges On Receiving Goods

Two 13-year-old Croydon boys were arrested yesterday and today on charges of stealing \$1000 worth of copper sheeting from the Croydon Philco Plant.

At the same time, Bristol township Police reported they would swear out a warrant for the arrest of Charles P. Hatcher, of 741 Keystone street, Croydon, a junk dealer who bought the material from the boys.

Sgt. Ernest Nuskey and Patrolman Wallace B. Michener reported the boys had been stealing the copper sheets since the end of December.

The officers said the sheets were about three-feet high, about 25 or 30 feet long, and weighed about 25 pounds. They were used as a weatherproof facing on the front of the building.

The boys told police they received 18 cents a pound for the metal, or a total of \$55. But the officers reported officials of Philco estimated the value of the copper taken at about \$1000.

### Four Charges

Hatcher is a prominent civic leader in the Croydon area. He is a vice president of the Organization for Croydon Borough, which has petitioned the county courts for separation from Bristol Township and for the creation of a separate municipality.

He was also one of the organizers of the Croydon Teenage Club.

He faces four charges, according to police.

Sgt. Nuskey said he would swear out a warrant before JP Earl B. Dougherty, Edgely, on charges of buying junk from minors, receiving stolen goods, contributing to the delinquency

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## Snow Tonight Is Possible

Bright, crisp morning skies were expected to fall before the onslaught of mean winter weather tonight when cold rain and possibly snow belts Lower Bucks.

The Weather Bureau at Trenton said the blue skies and mild temperatures this afternoon would make a hasty retreat by dark. Tonight will be cloudy with occasional rain or wet snow.

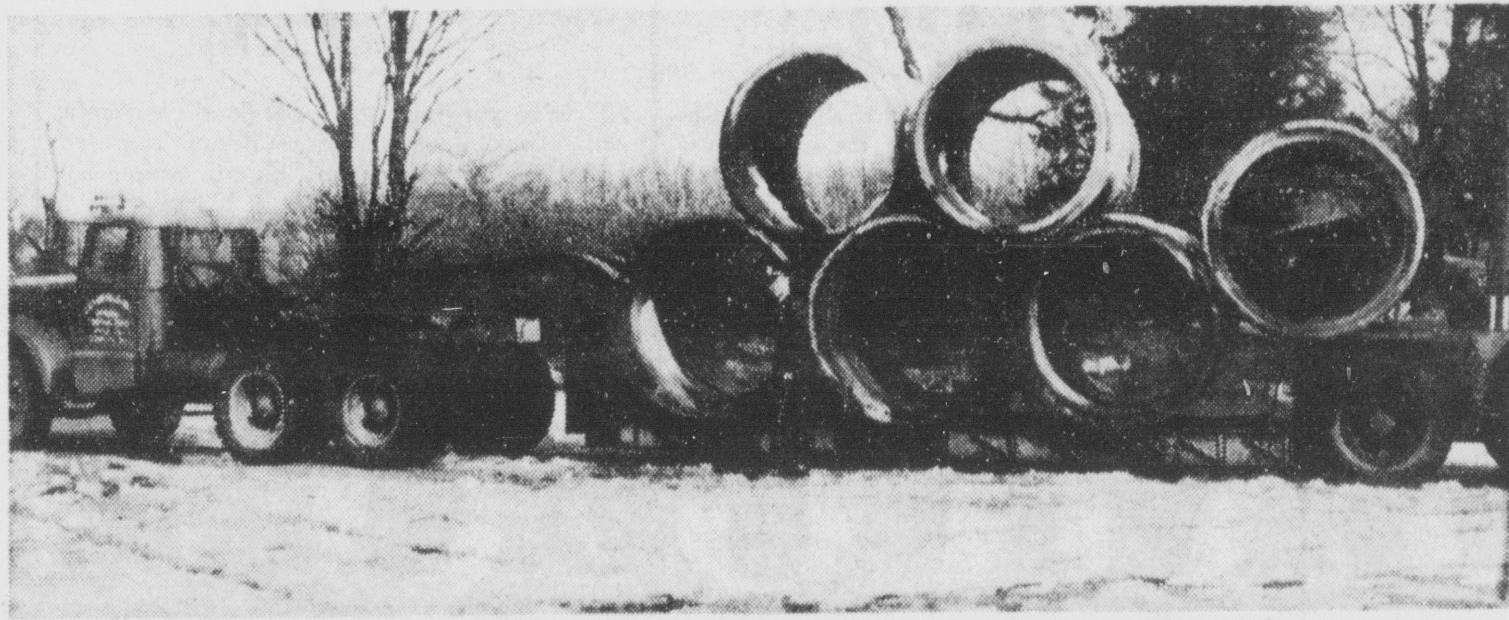
The weatherman said the snow, if it comes, will not be heavy but sometimes snow formations form rather rapidly, he added.

Today's high temperature will reach 40 with tonight's low expected to plunge under 30.

Tomorrow will be cloudy again with occasional rain expected throughout most of the day.

Yesterday's mild high was 50 at 3 p.m. and the reading this morning was a snappy 25 at 6:30 a.m. It was 31 at 10 a.m.

## Middletown Authorities Impound Heavy Truck-Trailer



The big steel coils on this trailer make Middletown township Patrolman Karl Kritzberger seem small in comparison. The officer arrested the driver for driving a vehicle that was 43,850 pounds overweight. It brought a \$4350 fine.

(Courier & Times Photo)

## Dulles Sees Israel Pulling Gaza Troops

Secretary Evades Direct Answer To U. S. Protection

WASHINGTON — UP — Secretary of State John Foster Dulles said today he has good grounds to hope Israel will comply with a United Nations resolution calling for speedy withdrawal from the Gaza Strip and the Gulf of Aqaba.

At his first news conference since Dec. 18, Dulles said the United States is not thinking of supporting sanctions against Israel. He said this government now is thinking only that Israel will comply with the UN resolution approved overwhelmingly last weekend.

Dulles was asked by a reporter whether the United States would "go to the protection of Israel" in the event of aggression even if this meant risking war with the Soviet Union. Without mentioning Israel directly, Dulles replied that the overall American policy is not to be deterred by fear of what the Soviet Union might do in any particular case.

Dulles said he did not think the United States has repeatedly faced up to situations involving Soviet threats. He said this is the proper course to pursue.

At his 40-minute news conference, Dulles also said:

1. He has no plans now to

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## Strike Halts Haiti Plane Service

PORT AU PRINCE, Haiti. — UP — Armed troops and tanks today patrolled the streets of Port au Prince where the public resorted to the second general strike in two months to get rid of unpopular president, Joseph Nemours Pierre Louis.

No incidents were reported and tourists visiting Haiti were reported safe although inconvenienced by closed shops and crippled transportation.

## Fairless Station Looted By Thieves

Burglars entered the Fairless Hills Esso service station last night and stole an undetermined amount of money, three sets of skid chains, a battery, and several tires.

The entry was discovered at 7 o'clock this morning by Richard Apsche, 202 Park avenue, Pennel, an employee at the service station.

### Use Rear Window

Apsche said the thieves dumped over several metal rubbish cans in the rear of the building at the intersection of U. S. Route 1 and Olds boulevard in Falls Township and stacked them on top of each other in order to reach a window about 10 feet above ground level.

They broke the window, he said, and then climbed in using a tire rack along the rear wall as a step to the floor.

### Cash Box Taken

Falls Township police, who are investigating, said the cigarette vending machine was broken into and the cash box taken. The actual amount of cash taken could not be determined this morning.

Apsche said the service station was closed about 10 o'clock last night.

Jack Keenan, Levittown, and Robert Skillman, Newportville, are co-owners of the establishment.

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## Scrocca Considers Suspension Appeal

Henry R. Scrocca, suspended Bristol Township patrolman, and his attorney, John S. Neal, are considering appealing the decision of the township Civil Service Commission upholding his suspension.

The commission also ordered Scrocca be fired after his year's suspension is ended.

In speaking of the decision, Mr. Neal said, "It appears the commission went out of its way to give Henry 'the works', in ordering he be fired."

"At first glance, it doesn't seem to be in its province to order the firing since that was never part of the appeal. The chief of police had only recommended this. I think the decision to fire him is up to the board of commissioners."

### Plans Review

Mr. Neal added he would have to study the decision in light of testimony given at the hearings last September before deciding whether to appeal or not.

"I'm going to look into this

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## State To Probe Darcy Pardon

The State Legislature yesterday cleared the way to investigate the Pardons Board, and determine whether any political influence directed the pardon of David Darcy, sentenced to death in the Feasterville slaying of 1947.

The measure was prompted by the board's recommendation of commutation of sentence for three Philadelphia youths, Darcy, Harold Foster and Harry Zeitz, sentenced to be executed for the slaying of a bystander during a tavern holdup in Bucks county in 1947.

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You can save time, trouble and expense, if you regularly follow the Lawyer. He will appear twice a week, on Wednesday and Thursday.

If you have any legal question just write to the "Bucks County Lawyer," care of the Bristol Courier or Levittown Times. Letters must be signed but your name will be withheld on request.

Don't miss this informative new feature starting tomorrow.

## Middletown Sets Record \$4350 Fine

Hauling Firm Draws Penalty For Overweight Truck

A New Jersey trucker was fined a record \$4350 by Middletown township Justice of the Peace William Oettinger yesterday for driving into the township with a truck and loaded trailer whose combined weight was 43,850 pounds over the limit.

The fine was imposed on Colon Shaw Smith, of 307 South Third street, Camden, driver for an Ocean City, N. J., trucking firm. Awaiting payment of the fine, Squire Oettinger had the vehicle impounded. He said it was the biggest overweight case the township has ever had.

Squire Oettinger said the truck and trailer combination driven

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## 'Shot' Premier At Meeting

MOSCOW—UP— More than 350 deputies in the Council of Nationalities convened in marbled St. Andrews Hall at the Kremlin today for the first meeting of the current session of the Supreme Soviet parliament.

The Supreme Soviet Council of the Union—the "upper house"—met at 1 p.m. Those present included Soviet Communist Party Leader Nikita S. Khrushchev, Deputy Premier Lazar M. Kaganovich, former Premier Georgi Malenkov, Former Premier Vyacheslav M. Molotov and other Soviet leaders.

A report published in the United States Monday said Kaganovich had been shot in a Kremlin struggle for power and was gravely wounded.

Four members of the pres-

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## Center To Offer Teaching Classes

Temple University today announced establishment of two classes as part of a course leading to teaching certification in the adult training program of the new Bucks county center.

Doctor John G. Berrier, director of Off-Campus Education for the university, said classes in educational psychology and audio-visual methods in education will be offered at the center.

The classes are part of a program desired for persons with a Bachelors degree in some other phase of study who are interested in becoming certified teachers.

Doctor Berrier noted that registration for the classes will be Feb. 14 at Pennsbury High school. Registrars from Temple will be there between 4 and 6 p.m. and 7 and 9 p.m.

He said the class in educational psychology will be every Tuesday evening at the school for a period of three hours for 15 weeks leading to three semester hours of credit.

The audio-visual aids class has been tentatively set for two hours each Thursday evening for two semester hours of credit.

The cost of the classes is \$15

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## Expenditures Seen Passing \$2-Billion

Special Programs And General Fund To Be Outlined

HARRISBURG — UP — Gov. George M. Leader today submitted to the General Assembly a \$1,604,338,735 General Fund budget requiring \$108,613,231 in new revenue and geared to retention of the 3 per cent sales tax for the last two years of his administration.

The state's projected expenditures for the 1957-59 fiscal period will top the \$2,000,000,000 mark, however, when the governor discloses the fiscal blueprint for Pennsylvania's huge road building program—one of a half dozen special funds which he said he will outline to the Legislature later.

### Mandated Hikes

The governor said in his message prepared for delivery before a joint session of the House and Senate after 2 p.m. that his budget earmarks \$1,476,849,102 to cover regular state expenditures, including mandated increases made by previous Legislatures.

To that he added \$45,247,200 for new programs, the bulk in the form of a teachers' salary in-

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crease to which he was morally committed by legislative action last year, to bring overall recommended appropriations to \$1,522,096,302. Finally, he put the anticipated deficit when the current biennium ends next May 31 at \$82,242,433.

### Over \$2 Billion

That brought overall revenue needs to balance the General Fund budget to the \$1,604,338,735 mark. The full budget will easily go over the \$2-billion mark with the addition of the special funds, although no estimates were available.

### Tax Package

The Motor License Fund alone reached the \$494,000,000 level in the current biennium and may be increased to meet additional state financial requirements under the new federal highway program. Other special funds total about \$15,000,000.

Mr. Leader directly endorsed

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## Inside Today

How well do you know your police force and its problems, tasks, and makeup? The Courier and Times continue a series by the Bristol Township League of Women Voters on the police departments which protect Levittown. Page 12

### Here's Help

You can get an early tax refund or settle your income tax by filing a correct return early. The Courier and Times present a series of articles designed to help you. Page 17

### Home Sweet Home

The home floor of the Bristol Warriors is a small one. But this high school basketball team makes a mighty big showing at home. Page 10

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Congratulations, Safety Commissioner



(Courier & Times Photo)

Falls Township Commissioner of Public Safety Elder Hacker of Fairless Hills was presented with a fireman's coat and helmet last night by the Fairless Hills, Fallsington and Levittown No. 1 Fire Companies. Franklin Kirby, chief of Falls Township police offers his congratulations. Participating in the presentation were (from left) Chief Kirby, Charles Hopkins, chief of Levittown No. 1, Albertus Gilbert, president of Levittown No. 1, Mr. Hacker, John Rock, president of Fairless Hills, and James Conklin, chief of Fairless Hills.

General Assembly Gets State Budget

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the tax package outlined recently by his special bipartisan Tax Policy Advisory Committee, if the law-makers decide to use it as a basis for the additional funds needed by the Commonwealth. But he left the door open for "any other good program" as long as it "will support the services to which the state is committed, be fair to the people of this state, contain a basic measure of adjustment to the inflationary economy in which we live, and be stimulating to the economic development of Pennsylvania."

Proposed Fewer Exemptions

The committee, composed of management, labor and government representatives, recommended continuation of the sales tax at its current 3 percent level, removal of clothing and trade-ins from the list of exemptions and imposition of a one-cent a bottle "pop" tax. The governor's approach to the new Republican-dominated Legislature was completely conciliatory in tone in contrast to the "hard, savage fight" he envisioned in his first budget address, delivered early in his administration.

He again urged the General Assembly to repeal the so-called "nuisance" taxes on business—the excise levy on foreign and domestic corporations and the Corporation Loan Tax—and permit the scheduled manufacturers' exemption from the Capital Stock Tax to take effect as planned at the beginning of 1958.

Asks No Tax Fight

The governor indicated he had no intention of becoming involved again in any tax fight such as prolonged the 1955 Legislature to a record 17 months and engendered extreme bitterness on both sides of the aisles in that governing body.

"This issue of taxes, if I may venture a political observation to many who are far wiser in politics than I, this issue has been beaten to death in Pennsylvania," he said.

Most of the governor's com-

ments concerning taxes were made at the budget briefing for newsmen at the Executive Mansion Monday afternoon.

The governor said that before the General Fund budget was whipped into shape he cut \$175,000,000 from departmental requests. The final version requested \$172,677,292 more in appropriations than the 1955-57 budget, but more than \$103,656,000 of this money was mandated by previous legislative action. Such mandates include increases in subsidies for education, pure streams, county public health units and occupational disease payments.

Another inescapable increase, he said, is a \$4,270,000 hike in debt service to bring such state costs to \$99,915,020 during the next biennium.

Leader also cited an additional \$23,289,383 needed to operate the Welfare Department's Mental health services at an expanded rate for the full 24 months of the biennium; \$1,047,646 for a pay increase given judges throughout the state last summer; appropriation hikes totaling \$4,430,448 for state-aided universities and \$1,434,125 for teachers' colleges.

Writ Sought

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of a minor, and corrupting the morals of a minor. Officer Michener said he and Sgt. Nuskey found the youths when they checked all the junk dealers in the area. They found a quantity of the copper sheeting at Hatcher's yard.

Hatcher told them the boys brought the material in. The police then picked up one of the boys last night. The second boy was brought into police headquarters this morning by his father.

Parental Custody

The youths have been released in custody of their parents to await action of county juvenile authorities.

Michener said the boys used a screwdriver to pry the copper sheets loose from the walls. Once they took the material off they rolled it up and carried it away. The thefts took place over a period of time, with the last theft occurring Sunday.

Truck Fine

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by Smith, with a cargo of steel coils, had a total weight of 103,850 pounds. The maximum weight under state law is 60,000 pounds, he said.

The driver was stopped by Patrolman Karl B. Kritzberger on Route 1 at the Janney intersection. The truck and trailer were weighed on the township scales on the Superhighway. In addition to the \$4350 fine, Squire Oettinger imposed court costs of \$5. The fine will revert to the township, he said.

The truck and trailer were still held this morning awaiting payment of the fine. The driver was not held.

NON-SUPPORT CHARGE

Edward Nicolette, 32, of Philadelphia, was committed to Bucks County prison yesterday on a charge of desertion and non-support by Justice of the Peace Elwood Bodern, Upper Southampton township.

Elder Hacker Is Honored By Firemen

Falls Township Commissioner of Public Safety, Elder Hacker, was presented with a fireman's coat and helmet by the three Falls Township fire companies at a meeting last night of the Fairless Hills company.

Mr. Hacker, a member of the Fairless Hills company and also chairman of the Fall Township Board of Supervisors, was named to the post of Safety Commissioner at a reorganizational meeting of the supervisors last month.

Recognition Of Work

The outfit was purchased by firemen from the Fairless Hills, Fallsington, and Levittown No. 1 Fire companies and presented to Mr. Hacker in recognition of the work he has done for the fire departments in the township.

John Rock, president of the Fairless Hills company, announced that delivery of a new Mack 750 gallon-per-minute pumper truck is expected next month. The truck will replace the one wrecked in a crash last October.

New Officers

New officers of the Hills company were nominated. Election will be held at the next meeting in March.

Plans were outlined for the annual fire company carnival which will be held Aug. 5 to 10. Bob Campbell, William Nielson and Joseph Mangone are heading the committee.

Teachers

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per credit hour unless the student is working for a graduate degree, in which case \$20 per semester hour will be charged.

Doctor Berrier noted, "Through the urging of several Levittown women we have decided to offer the course. I think it's wonderful that they are willing to help the community by becoming full-time or substitute teachers."

Further information on the classes can be obtained by calling Temple University in Philadelphia or Mrs. Bonnie Schnader at WI 6-7163.

Fluoridation Waits State OK

Fluoridation of Levittown's water supply must wait approval of the State Health department, it was disclosed at last night's meeting of the Lower Bucks County Joint Municipal Authority.

Charles Lucisano, board chairman, reported that plans will be submitted to Harrisburg for approval, which he said is just a matter of routine. However, he added, the authority will delay purchase of some of the necessary equipment until after the approval is granted in case the state suggests some changes.

The authority voted last month to add one part fluoride to a million parts of water after a poll showed customers approved the plan.

Ski Club To Meet At Country Club

The Levittown Ski Club will meet at 8:30 o'clock tonight at the Langhorne Country Club. Jack Berkley, president, will review recent ski trips and outline plans for day and weekend ski outings.

Plumber To Be Heard Wednesday

Nicholas Pascale, Bristol borough councilman, yesterday sought an injunction in Bucks County court to stop Morrisville board of health from revoking his master plumber's license.

Pascale, whose license was suspended and revoked after a June 26 explosion which demolished Monti's cafe and caused the deaths of two men, asked for the injunction to be effective immediately.

However, the court withheld action and set a hearing for next Wednesday on whether to grant a preliminary injunction restraining the board from revoking the license.

Suspended After Blast

Pascale's license was suspended the day after the explosion, caused when his sub-contractor severed a gas main while working on a project at the cafe, 215 West Philadelphia avenue, Morrisville. The property was owned by Giuseppe Monti, Tullytown, who was killed in the blast.

Pascale was given a hearing on July 5 by the board of health, and on July 24, he was notified that his license had been revoked.

Borough Ordinance

Authority for the revocation, according to Pascale's attorney, William Carlin, was from two sections of a borough ordinance. The first provides that "no master plumber shall allow use of his name by anyone...for the purpose of obtaining a...permit. Secondly, a license can be revoked for negligent or improper work."

The board claimed Pascale was negligent because he left the scene while his sub-contractor was digging near the gas main.

Pascale's license was issued a short time before the explosion, on June 1, and he was granted a permit to install a drainage system at the cafe on June 18.

Cites State Code

In his injunction action, Pascale calls the ordinance under which his license was revoked "illegal and invalid" because the state borough code "does not grant such authority to a borough."

He also states that the ordinance is unconstitutional because it does not provide for an appeal...and therefore deprives him of property rights without due process of law.

Further, he is seeking the injunction on the grounds that there is no basis for revoking his license, that he does not have adequate remedy at law, and that his business will "suffer irreparable harm" as a result of the revocation.

Has Contracts

He explained that he still has plumbing contracts in Morrisville, that he can get no other contracts there if his license is revoked, and that without the license, he has "no means to make a living."

In addition to the injunction, Pascale is asking the court to declare the Morrisville ordinance illegal and void and to order the board of health to be enjoined from enforcing the ordinance (at a future date).

2 Bristol Drivers In Auto Collision

Two Bristol drivers collided on State road at Badenhausen corporation entrance about 4:40 p.m. yesterday and caused approximately \$650 total damages.

Edward Carmasino, of 2107 Wilson avenue, told Bensalem police he was attempting to make a left turn from the Badenhausen entrance when trucks pulling out in the next lane blocked his vision.

James Barclay Einsig, of 1118 Beaver street, who was northbound on State road said the trucks blocked his vision of the lane and he couldn't avoid the collision.

There were no injuries and no charges were filed.

Two Pull 'Fast One'

Lower Makefield Man Finds Stripped Auto

Lower Makefield police were hunting a couple this morning who found a sneaky way to steal two tires.

The man and woman walked into the Volk Motors in Trenton yesterday and told a salesman they'd like to buy a used car.

Test Ride

The salesman showed the couple a 1952 Oldsmobile which they examined with utmost care. The man said, "We'd like to test ride the car before we buy it."

Given the keys to the vehicle the couple glided out of the Calhoun street lot and headed north. "We waited and waited but

Pascale Asks Injunction In Morrisville Decision

Reconstruction of Oxford Valley Road Underway



(Courier & Times Photo)

Work is progressing on the widening and reconstruction of Oxford Valley road from Fairless Hills to U. S. Route 1. Kauffman Brothers of Langhorne are working on the project to widen the heavily traveled access route to Levittown and Fairless to four lanes with a concrete divider strip at the intersection

of Route 1. The right-angle turn existing in the road will be made gradual. At present the road is barely wide enough for two automobiles. This is the first major road reconstruction project to be undertaken in Lower Bucks this year.

Club To Host Soap Box Derby Fans

Attention, Soap Box Derby enthusiasts!

Lower Bucks County boys between the ages of 11 and 15, who are planning to enter the area's first annual Soap Box Derby, have a treat in store for them.

The Optimist Club of Lower Bucks, one of the six service clubs sponsoring the Derby along with the Courier and Times and local Chevrolet dealers, will play host to you boys Thursday night at the Pennsylvania Inn.

Following the club's regular dinner-meeting, all Soap Box Derby enthusiasts and their parents are invited to see and learn all the inside information on the national racing event.

Official Film

Irv Schwerin, president of the Optimist Club, announces that the official Soap Box Derby film, "How to Win," will be shown Thursday night at 8 o'clock. Also, Carl LeMaster, director of the Lower Bucks County Derby, will be on hand to explain details of the competition. And to top it off, Joe Scheidele of Ewing township, winner of last year's Trenton Soap Box Derby, will be present with his father to tell of their experiences in the All-American Soap Box Derby championships at Akron, Ohio.

There's no obligation to attend Thursday night's Soap Box Derby portion of the Optimist Club's meeting. If you're between the ages of 11 and 15 and attend school in Lower Bucks, just bring your mother or dad along and enjoy a fine evening and learn all about the 1957 Soap Box Derby.

Baby's Birth

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worst lapse of taste ever," Gardner was quoted. "They showed us a baby being born in all its stark, primitive detail. All right. We were adult. So the children were in bed when the program was on."

Sickened

"But there are some things which should never be shown on television and this was one of them. It sickened me. It sickened my wife. "I did not see my children born. I didn't want to though I respect the motives of those men who do."

"But to blazon the moments of childbirth on television screens is to turn television into an...ultrasensational horror comic."

Lions Club Hears Talk On Okinawa

The Levittown Lions Club learned of the efforts for rehabilitation of the people of Okinawa at its meeting last night in the Buck Hotel, Feasterville.

Featured speaker of the evening was retired Col. Robert C. Belleville, III, of Yardley.

Island Damaged

Colonel Belleville related the tremendous amount of damage the island suffered and the effort being made not only to make it a strong military base but also to take care of the unfortunate people there. He said private government agencies are helping to raise the standard of living.

Colonel Belleville has been speaking before various clubs and civic groups urging private support of rehabilitation efforts.

Donation Voted

The club voted to make a donation of \$15 plus individual donations from members.

Plans were reviewed for the blind artist concert which will be sponsored by the club for benefit

Spy Case Resumes

NEW YORK —UP— A special federal grand jury resumed deliberations today, indicating that additional indictments would follow those returned yesterday against three New Yorkers accused of spying for Russia.

The new indictments presumably would involve a number of unidentified co-conspirators in a vast spy network who the government alleges stole military secrets for Russia while working at American military installations in this country, in Germany and in Austria.

Could Get Chair

The vast scope of the spy ring was disclosed yesterday when the grand jury returned espionage indictments against Jack Soble, 53; his wife, Myra, 52, and Jacob Albam, 64. They were indicted under a section of the espionage law that could send all three to the electric chair or to prison for life.

Indicted as co-conspirators, but not defendants, were 10 Russians, most of them former employees of the Soviet Embassy in Washington. All are now out of this country.

As diplomatic officials, the embassy employees indicted are immune from prosecution. But it was believed that further indictments would involve residents of this country who, like the Sobles and Albam, would be prosecuted on espionage charges.

First Aid Course Attended By 35

The first class of nine in a standard first aid course was held last night at the Parish house of Grace Episcopal church, Hultmeville.

Thirty-five persons, including boy scouts, girl scouts, civil defense volunteers and interested residents attended. The course was arranged by John Egly, Hultmeville CD director, in conjunction with scout leaders.

Mr. and Mrs. August D'Ambrasia, members of the Levittown Emergency Squad and certified Red Cross instructors, will teach the course. The classes begin at 7 p.m. The group will meet again next Monday. Mr. Egly urged all those interested to attend the course.

Seeing Levittown

By JIM ORT

Even the greatest mathematical wizards oftentimes become confused about this time of year when filing those ever loving income tax returns. But there's one Levittown man who gets more in a tangle than ever. He is Robert D. Frederick, 15 Aspen lane, Apple Tree. In the same section there is another Bob Frederick (Robert E.) who is an accountant and from now until April 15 receives numerous phone calls from persons wanting help in filing returns. Robert D's phone is constantly ringing and people are asking him for help with the tax returns. He works at U. S. Steel.

The Walt Disney School PTA is sponsoring a good old-fashioned Minstrel show March 1 and 2 at the school's Little Theatre. Included in the cast is William Swangler, president of the Tullytown School board.

The Oxford Valley road is going from bad to worse. A girl in a red coat was walking along the so-called "road" yesterday and a car went through at about 30 miles an hour. The girl in the red coat ended up with brown "polka-dots." Every so often the stretch is covered over with stones but along comes a rain and bigger-than-ever holes appear.

Levittown Fire Company No. 1 is expecting delivery of its new fire truck next week. The 750 gallon-per-minute pumper was purchased for an Altoona fire department. The additional piece of apparatus will be a big step forward in fire protection for Levittown.

'Shot' Premier

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idium—Premier Nikolai Bulganin, President Kliment E. Voroshilov, First Deputy Premier Anastas Mikoyan and Foreign Minister Dmitri T. Shepilov—sat conspicuously in the front of the hall.

Western observers were looking to the session to clear up several recent mysteries, including the identity of the unknown official treated by a German blood specialist this week. However, an unimpeachable source said the mysterious patient is a second-ranking official, below the top Communist Party hierarchy.

A Russian source told the United Press today's opening session probably would not produce anything noteworthy but that Wednesday's session will be "more interesting." No major government changes were expected.

JAYCEES TO MEET The Levittown Junior Chamber of Commerce will hold a regular meeting tonight at 9 p.m. in the Greater Bucks County Chamber of Commerce building, Route 13 and Bath road.

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Scrocca Case

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very carefully to see if the commission didn't overstep its bounds in ordering the dismissal. The punishment seems to be too severe for the charges made. A year's suspension is the maximum that can be given for the worst offense," the attorney said.



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## Boro Hall Depends On Extension Fight

Morrisville Councilman Neal Nolan said today a new borough hall for Morrisville may hinge on the outcome of the current squabble on the Washington street extension.

"If the borough approves the extension and purchases land for a parking lot from Paul Sullivan, it may not leave much for purchase of land for a borough hall," Nolan said.

A survey of parking needs in the borough is currently being made and may go a long way towards finalizing plans on the proposed extension.

**Rec Budget Raised**

In releasing the tentative budget of the public property and equipment committee, Mr. Nolan said more than \$25,000 of the total will go for maintenance of the recreational area in Williamson park.

The 1957 budget proposed by

## Church Elects Officials

The First Presbyterian church of Morrisville elected elders, trustees and deacons at its congregational meeting, it was announced today.

Elders elected are John Solt, John F. Garber, Wallace W. DeWitt, Merrill J. Hartman, Given A. Landis, Warren Malick, Robert F. Northrup and Clair E. Stauffer.

Trustees are Leslie Burke, Robert B. Anderson, Philip E. Jones and Russell Schultz.

Those elected as deacons are Robert G. Clark, John N. Reynolds, Kenneth W. Traub, Lewis Boodley, John Firman, Clarence W. Landis Jr., Raymond S. Low, George B. Mershon, Jr., Robert R. Voorhees, Elwood W. Wagner, John C. Adams, Jr., Robert Cooper and Fred E. Walker.

## Bridge Game Is Arranged

The Delaware Valley Bridge club will hold a duplicate bridge game Feb. 12 at 8:15 p.m. in the Fairless Hills community center, Trenton and Oxford Valley roads.

The winners in the recent master point game were:

North-South: first, Mitchell Melnik, Levittown, and Dominic Olivieri, Morrisville; second, Edward Fayle and David Heller, both of Levittown; third, Richard Crosbie and Ted Heck, both of Levittown.

Fourth: Tad Slawewicki and Morton Mondress, both of Levittown; and fifth, Dr. Sol Kipnes and Bernard Erfer, both of Levittown.

East-West: first, Robert Morrow, Levittown, and William Chamberlain, Andalusia; second, Jerry Lang and George Weiss, of Trenton; third, Mr. and Mrs. John S. Thomas, Fairless Hills.

Fourth: J. S. Stelmacher and J. Alyea, both of Levittown; and fifth, Charles Melmed and Hal Rosenthal, both of Levittown.

## Steel Local Says 'Nothing To Hide'

DETROIT — UP — Wallace Bodrie, president of United Steel Workers Local 1299, said Monday his local would welcome a congressional investigation of alleged corruption in Detroit-area USW locals.

Bodrie's statement was in answer to charges made by Donald C. Rarick of Pittsburgh last week that some locals in this area are "corrupt and undemocratic." Rarick is opposing USW President David J. McDonald in the union's Feb. 12 election.

Bodrie said "we would welcome an investigation because we have nothing to hide."

## Father Restrained As Children Burn

SYRACUSE, N. Y. — UP — Three children died today in a fire that destroyed a one-story garage converted into a home.

The victims were three of nine children of Mr. and Mrs. Edward C. Wilkins.

"My God, My God," the father screamed as five policemen restrained him from entering the burning building.

Mrs. Wilkins carried one child from the home. The other children, the oldest 14 years old, were at school when the fire broke out.

## Nasser Holds Military Talks

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y. — UP — Egyptian President Gamal Abdel Nasser was reported today to be holding top-level military conferences as result of Israel's refusal to give up the Gaza Strip and territory along the Gulf of Agaba.

## Father-Son Dinner Set For Feb. 19

The annual father and son dinner of the Men's Association, First Presbyterian Church, Morrisville, will feature NBC's mechanical man, "Mr. Rivets," on Tuesday night, Feb. 19, at 6:30 o'clock. Announcement of plans was made by Lawrence Lane, chairman of the 1957 event.

Appearing with Mr. Rivets will be WTTM's Tom Durand, better known as the Delaware Valley's "Mr. Radio." Dressed as a hobo clown, he will talk with Mr. Rivets, but will receive no answers except in sign language.

The annual father and son dinner has been a standing room only affair for the past three years. Tickets are now on sale at \$1.75 per person.

## Firefighters Enjoy Fete

Over 100 firemen and guests had a "great big time" at the annual Yardley firemen's banquet, Mrs. James Sheridan said today.

Mrs. Sheridan, publicity director for the affair said the guests enjoyed a wonderful turkey dinner and danced until the wee hours of the morning.

Raymond Sands was toastmaster of the affair at Washington Crossing Inn.

John McCarthy of the Cold Spring Bleachery in Yardley, addressed the group and also contributed \$250 to the company's fund for a new fire truck.

Local fire officials and Raymond Strunk, Bucks County Fire Marshall were welcomed to the affair by John Ziaylek, Yardley chief.

The group was treated to an enjoyable evening of entertainment and dancing, highlighted by a magic act.

## Morrisville Units Picked

Committees for the annual senior prom at Morrisville High school March 1 at the high school auditorium were named today by class president, Robert Krier.

The decoration committee: Jerry Gafgen, chairman; Marianne DiFazio, Joan Matejik, Peggy O'Neill, Ruey Mae DiCiccio, Richard Harding, Robert Lucash, Kay Haston, and Coleen Clark.

Refreshment committee: Coleen Clark, chairman; Lee Rogers, Joy Skelton, Mary Ellen Kane, and Jack Patterson.

Lighting: Tom Johnson, chairman; Fred Schwartz, and Willa Dreisbach.

Service committee: John Pitro, Carlo, Ray Keuper, Jack Patterson, Tom Allison, Jack Broderick, Ronald Emilie, Richard DeLay, Bill Wamsley, Calvin Marshall, Joseph Haas, James Walsh, Lee Rogers, Larry Brelsford, and Larry Gommella.

## Campbell Soup Resumes Work

CAMDEN, N. J. — UP — Employees of the two Campbell Soup Company plants here resumed full operations today following a week long work stoppage in a labor dispute.

The work stoppage was ended yesterday by a joint announcement released by union and company officials following a recommendation by state mediator William Weinberg, that negotiations of the dispute continue while the employees work.

### Civic Association Officers



Newly-elected officials of the Makefield Civic association go over the group's plans for the coming year. Officers are (from left) Harry Hoffmeister, president; Andrew H. Keefe, adviser; Ross Bennington, vice president; Charles J. Burch, secretary; and Peter F. Campbell, adviser. Treasurer Albert J. Wise is not shown.

## Four Children Burn To Death

HAYWARD, Calif. — UP — Four young children burned to death in their beds Monday when their 17-year old mother went to a neighbor's to borrow a cigaret.

The victims were twins Darlene and Charlene Mason, both 3, and their stepbrothers, Gregory Williams, 2, and Keith 1.

The mother, Marie Miller, told authorities she went to the home of Freeman Stone to borrow a cigaret when she heard a neighbor cry, "the house is on fire!"

She ran to the street and watched in horror as flames destroyed the little three-room home with her youngsters screaming inside.

## Lower Makefield Not Set On Bridge

Lower Makefield supervisor Claude Johnson said today, "lower Makefield hasn't taken a definite stand on the re-location of the Yardley bridge.

"We feel any site that skirts the residential areas of the township will be satisfactory for Lower Makefield.

"Interested groups may suggest various sites for the bridge but it is still for professional engineers to decide where a road as to be located.

"There are many factors involved in building a bridge which the average citizen is not often aware of," Mr. Johnson said.

"We definitely have no preference as to the location of the bridge as long as it doesn't cut through any of our homes and neither proposal looks like it will," Mr. Johnson said.

## Teachers To Hear Talk On Trip

Members of the Morrisville Teachers' association will hear a talk tomorrow night on a trip to Alaska by two Morrisville teachers.

Mr. and Mrs. Abe Duncan will illustrate their talk with slides collected on their recent trip to Alaska.

James E. Wood, program chairman, said husbands and wives of teachers as well as members are invited to attend the session at the Manor Park Elementary school at 8 p.m.

Margaret Watkins heads the refreshment committee for the program.

Texas has 168,732,160 acres of surface soil and 141,337,744 are in farms and ranches.

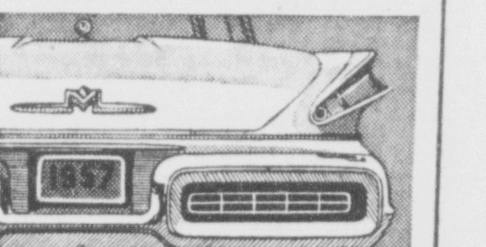
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